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FROM USREP ICAO

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SUBJ: ICAO - ISRAEL - US PROPOSALS FOR SECURITY MEASURES

(CWP/6125)

1. ISRAEL AMB AND CONGEN CALLED ON USREP A.M. FEB. 13. EARLY IN ONE-HOUR DISCUSSION AMB INDICATED THAT ISRAEL WILL KEEP PRESENTATION STATEMENT TECHNICAL NOT REFERRING TO "THEIR NEIGHBORS". FYI: USREP WISHES REMIND DEPT THAT ISRAEL MADE SAME PROMISE TO ALL CONCERNED PARTIES DURING RECENT ASSEMBLY BUT SUBSEQUENTLY IN PLENARY STATEMENTS NAMED GOVERNMENTS AND COUNTRIES WHICH THEN PROVOKED ARAB STATEMENTS. END FYI. AMB MADE PASSING REFERENCE TO POSSIBILITY OF TALKS IN WASHINGTON BEFORE MEETING BUT SAID "WE WILL SEE LATER".

2. USREP ADVISED AMB FRANKLY THAT COUNCIL UNDOUBTEDLY WILL TAKE PAPER PARA BY PARA, REFERRING SOME ITEMS SPECIFICALLY TO COMMITTEE/ COMMISSION OR SECRETARIAT FOR PREPARATION. AMB REGARDED THIS AS POSSIBLE DELAYING TACTIC. USREP REPLIED THAT SITUATION WAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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QUITE THE OPPOSITE. IMMEDIATE REFERRAL BY COUNCIL OF SPECIFIC

PROPOSALS DIRECTLY TO WORKING BODIES WAS MOST EXPEDITIOUS WAY OF COMMENCING REAL WORK LEADING TO FINAL COUNCIL DECISIONS. IN THIS CONNECTION AMB ASKED USREP IF COUNCIL DECISION ON RESOLUTION OF SOME KIND COULD POSSIBLY COME OUT OF INITIAL COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF ISRAEL PAPER. FOR EXAMPLE, COUNCIL REFERRING TO RECENT INCIDENTS, OVERALL THREAT, URGE STATES TO RATIFY RATIFICATION OF CONVENTIONS AND IMPLEMENT PROVISIONS PENDING RATIFICATION, IMPLEMENT SARPS AND MANUAL, ETC. USREP INDICATED SUCH ACTION PROCEDURALLY FEASIBLE BUT OBVIOUSLY SPECIFIC APPROACH/PROPOSAL ALONG THESE LINES WOULD BE REQUIRED. USREP ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THERE ARE ALREADY IN EFFECT MANY SUCH RESOLUTIONS FROM ASSEMBLIES, COUNCIL, ETC. AT THIS POINT, ISRAEL CONGEN OBSERVED THAT TOO MANY SUCH ACTIONS LEAD INEFFECTIVENESS. FYI. SUBSEQUENTLY, UK REP INFORMED USREP THAT ISRAEL AMB HAD CALLED ON HIM AND AMONG OTHER THINGS SUGGESTED THAT ISRAEL WAS LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO PROPOSE A RESOLUTION DURING THE MARCH 3 MEETING. UKREP EXPRESSED CONCERN TO USREP THAT: (A) WE ALREADY HAVE ON BOOKS MANY SUCH RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS BY COMMITTEES, COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLIES; (B) THAT UK COULD UNDOUBTEDLY SUPPORT ANOTHER SUCH RESOLUTION; (C) BUT COULD NOT INITIATE IT. END FYI.

3. MOST OF MEETING WITH ISRAEL AMB WAS GIVEN TO A LOOK AT VARIOUS PARAS IN ISRAEL PAPER WITH USREP COMMENTING ON PREVIOUS HISTORY OF SIMILAR PROPOSALS, AND LIKELY COUNCIL ACTION. REGARDING SECTION 3 ON LONG-RANGE WEAPONS, USREP MENTIONED HISTORY REGARDING DEFINITION BETWEEN "AVIATION (AIRPORT) MEASURES" AND PROBLEM OF TRYING TO AREAS EXTENDING BEYOND IMMEDIATE AVIATION MEASURES -- FOR EXAMPLE COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY NOT WANT TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDING A SECURITY FORCE WHICH IS IN A TEN-MILE RADIUS OF AIRPORTS, ETC. REGARDING SECTION 4 "PROSECUTION OF OFFENDERS", USREP EXPRESSED CONCERN ESPECIALLY REGARDING SUB-PARA (3) AND SUB-PARAS (5) AND (6) WHICH WOULD GET THE COUNCIL AND CUI INVOLVED IN THE "ROLE OF PROSECUTOR". USREP ENDEAVORED TO BE HELPFUL BY POINTING OUT THAT SOME PARAS ALREADY IN EFFECT.

4. ISRAEL AMB STRESSED THE QUESTION OF DUPLICATION BETWEEN US PAPER AND PARTS OF ISRAEL PAPER AND ASKED USREP TO INDICATE THOSE PARAS IN ISRAEL PAPER THAT ARE NOT RPT NOT COVERED BY US PAPER. USREP ENDEAVORED POINT OUT THAT SUCH COMPARISON NOT ENTIRELY POSSIBLE BECAUSE SOME SPECIFIC ISRAEL SUB-PARAS COVERED GENERALLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BY US REFERENCES, BUT MORE GENERAL ISRAEL PROPOSALS SUCH AS 2/SUB-PARA (4) CALLING FOR "DEVELOPMENT OF ADDITIONAL MEASURES" COULD BE CONSIDERED ENTIRELY DUPLICATIVE.

5. ISRAEL AMB INDICATED THAT WE WOULD MEET AGAIN FOR DISCUSSIONS PRIOR TO MARCH 3 COUNCIL MEETING.
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